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MANUAL AND RECORD

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FIRST REFORMED DUTCH CHURCH

OF

HUDSON, N. Y.

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MANUAL.

The First Reformed Dutch Church, of Hudson, was organized upon application from citizens, and by direction of the Classis of Rensselaer, on the 20th day of September, A. D. 1835.

The committee appointed to this duty was composed of Rev. Messrs. Andrew N. Kittle, Peter S. Wynkoop, and Richard Sluyter.

A sermon was preached on the occasion by the Rev. Peter S. Wynkoop.

The following persons were ordained as the first Consistory, viz.:

Elders.	*Deacons.*
John Watrous,	Robert D. Van Deusen,
Abraham V. V. Elting,	Jacob C. Everts,
Jonathan Stow,	Jacob Van Deusen,
Thomas F. Mesick.	

The first pastor, Rev. George H. Fisher, was called from the First Reformed Dutch Church of Fishkill, and installed Oct. 20th, 1835.

A sermon was preached by Rev. Christopher Hunt, from John ii, 17: "The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up." The form was read, and charge to the pastor delivered by Rev. Andrew N. Kittle. The charge to the congregation was delivered by Rev. Richard Sluyter.

Mr. Fisher was dismissed, to become pastor of the Broome street church, in New York, Dec. 28, 1841.

The second pastor, Rev. John Gosman, D. D, was called from the Reformed Dutch Churches of Coeymans and New Baltimore, and installed May 15th, 1842. The installation services were performed by Rev. Andrew N. Kittle.

Dr. Gosman was, at his own request, which the state of his health compelled him to make, released from the pastoral charge, April 20th, 1852.

The third pastor, Rev. David D. Demarest, was called from the Second Reformed Dutch Church of New Brunwick, N. J., and installed August 1st., 1853.

A sermon was preached by Rev. John G. Johnson, from Gal. vi, 14, "But God forbid that I should glory, &c." The form was read by Rev. Ira C. Boice. The charge to the pastor was delivered by Rev. Cornelius E. Crispell. The charge to the congregation was delivered by Rev. Jacob N. Voorhis.

Previously to, and for a time after the organization of the church, public worship was held in the old court house on Warren street, on the site of the present Presbyterian Church. After the sale of the court house, the congregation met on several Sabbaths in the Baptist Church. St. John's hall was then occupied, until the completion of the church edifice.

The church edifice was built in the year 1836, under the direction of a building committee, composed of Stephen W. Miller, Joseph D. Monell, James E. Delamater, William E. Heermance, Abraham V. V. Elting.

It was dedicated to the worship of God, December 18, 1836, when a sermon was preached by Rev. John H. Van Wagenen, pastor of the church of Linlithgow, from John x, 22, "And it was at Jerusalem, the feast of the dedication, and it was winter."

The Lord's supper was administered for the first time on the last Lord's day in January, A. D. 1836. At that time there were seventeen communicants.

The following persons have held the office of elder:

John Watrous,*
Thomas F. Mesick,*
Jonathan Stow,
Abraham V. V. Elting,
Henry Van Vleck,†
Zechariah Snyder,*
James McGiffert,*
William G. Van Vliet,*
James Best,
John McClellan,
Jacob Van Deusen,
Robert Thomas,*
Jacob Ten Broeck,
Samuel Bachman,
John C. Newkirk,
Robert D. Van Deusen,

The following peasons have held the office of deacon:

Jacob Van Deusen,
Jacob C. Everts,*
Robert D. Van Deusen,
Charles Bame,*
Jonathan Stow,
John J. Mesick,*
William Bowman,†
Samuel Bachman,
Robert Thomas,*
Allen Rockefeller,
Nicholas Kittle,†
Peter S. Wynkoop,
Norman M. Finlay,*
John C. Newkirk,
Wilson Ham,*
James Van Deusen,
Henry H. Poucher,
John C. Benham,
Andrew K. Best,

The present Consistory is composed of

David D. Demarest, *Minister.*

Elders.	*Deacons.*
Jacob Ten Broeck,	John C. Benham,
Abraham V. V. Elting,	Peter S. Wynkoop,
~~John C. Newkirk,~~	Allen Rockefeller,
Andrew C. Getty,	James Best.

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The elders and deacons are chosen by the Consistory, and referred by them to the congregation, for approval, by publication of their names on three successive Lord's days.

The annual election is held at the stated meeting in December.

Stated meetings of the Consistory are held monthly, on the second Monday evening of the month.

The government of the church in spiritual matters belongs to the elders. To the deacons the care of the poor is committed, and to them all applications

* Dismissed. † Deceased.

for assistance must be made. The elders and deacons joined in one board are trustees, to manage all the temporal affairs of the church.

Public worship is held on the morning and evening of every Lord's day.

A weekly lecture is held on Wednesday evening, and prayer meeting on Friday evening.

The monthly concert of prayer for missions, is held on the first Monday evening of every month, and on that week the lecture is omitted.

The sacrament of the Lord's supper is administered on the first Lord's day in March, June, September, and December.

The preparatory service is held on the Friday evening before communion, and a special prayer meeting on Saturday evening.

The meeting of the Consistory for the admission of members is held on the Friday before communion, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Sunday school connected with the church, is under the superintendence of Peter S. Wynkoop, and comprises 24 teachers and 188 scholars.

The catechetical instruction of the young is attended to by the pastor on the afternoon of the second Lord's day in every month. The cooperation of parents in this work, is earnestly desired.

Contributions are annually made to the most prominent benevolent societies—to other societies at such times as the consistory may deem advisable.

Attention is particularly called to the following constitutional requirements:

"The particular spiritual government of the congregation is committed to the ministers and elders. It is therefore their duty at all times to be vigilant, to preserve discipline, and to promote the peace and spiritual interest of the congregation. Particularly before the celebration of the Lord's supper, a faithful and solemn inquiry is to be made by the president whether, to the knowledge of those present, any member in full communion has departed from the faith, or in walk or conversation has behaved

unworthy the Christian profession; that such as are guilty may be properly rebuked, admonished, or suspended from the privilege of approaching the Lord's table, and all offences may be removed out of the church of Christ." (Chap. II, Act. 2, Sec. 5.)

"It shall be incumbent on members of the church in removing from the bounds of one church to another, to obtain a certificate of membership and dismission." Sec 9.

"Since it is deemed of the highest importance that there should be regular instruction on the great articles of the Christian faith, in order to preserve the truth, and to promote the prosperity of the church, every minister shall in the ordinary morning or afternoon service on the Lord's day, explain the system of the Christian doctrine, comprehended in the Heidelbergh catechism, adopted by the reformed churches, so that if practicable, the explanation may be annually completed, but shall never be extended beyond the term of four years." Sec 13.

"The sacrament of baptism shall always be administered in the church or some other place of public worship, at the time of public worship, and the form adopted for baptism hitherto in use, shall in every case be retained. In cases however of the sickness of the parents, and especially of the infant, it is lawful to administer this sacrament in private. But no private baptism shall be administered without the presence of at least one elder, who shall accompany the minister for that purpose, and the same form and solemnity shall be always used as in public baptism." (Chap. III, Art. 1, Sec 1.)

The baptism of infants will be performed at any public service, provided that seasonable notice be given to the pastor. With such notice the names of the parents, the name of the child, and the date of its birth should be communicated.

Persons who are desirous of making a profession of their faith, are not only examined on their knowledge of fundamental doctrines, but especially as to their experience of the power of the truth on their hearts.

It is particularly requested, that all such shoul frankly, and as often as possible, confer with th pastor or some of the elders before making applica tion to the Consistory.

Timely notice should be given to the pastor, of sick ness, afflictions, removals and deaths.

It is recommended to every member, to procure copy of the constitution of the church, and to mak himself familiar with her doctrines and order.

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RECORD OF MEMBERS.

This record of all who have ever been connected
ith this church is as complete as we have been
ble to make it. Under the head of removals we
clude three classes.
1. Those who have been regularly dismissed to
her congregations.
2. Those who have removed out of the bounds of
e congregation and have neglected to take certifi-
tes of dismission.
3. A few who have been suspended from the com-
union of the church.

A

llen, Charles S.*
llen, Henry L.
llen, William P.
llen, Eliza
wife of Wm. P. Allen.
llen, Samuel
len, Susan
wife of Samuel Allen.
llen, Sarah Ann
llen, Hannah Frances
llen, Mary Jane
ndrews, Joseph

B

owman, William†
owman, Sarah*
widow of W. Bowman,*
ume, Charles*
elding, Julia Ann
wife of H. S. Belding,*
Brandow, Catharine
widow of A. Brandow,*
Bullis, Mary Ann*
Bogardus, Caroline*
Bogardus, William*
Bogardus, Catharine
wife of Wm. Bogardus,*
Barton, Louisa*
Brooks, Elizabeth*
Bruce, Catharine
wife of Jonas Bruce,*
Best, Andrew K.*
Best, Emily A.*
wife of And. K. Best,*
Bachman, Samuel
Bachman, Christina
wife of S'l Bachman,
Best, James
Blanchard, Francis A.
Boyd, John

*Removed

Boyd, Agnes
wife of John Boyd,
Barringer, Lany Maria
Barringer, Catharine
Benham, John C.
Benham, Eliza
wife of J. C. Benham,
Best, Harman
Best, Margaret
wife of Harman Best,
Best, Rebecca Adaline
widow of Henry Best,
Burns, Mary
wife of Robert Burns.

C

Crawford, George†
Crawford, Eliza
wife of G. Grawford,†
Clow, Jane†
Cole, Dinah (colored,)†
Calkins, Elizabeth
wife of James Calkins,†
Campbell, Elizabeth*
Carshore, Jane
wife of David Carshore,*
Cure, Catharine*
Charlott, Emeline C.*
Charlott, Thomas J.*
Charlott, Marietta L.
wife of T. J. Charlott,*
Crawford, Maria V. N.
widow of G Crawford,
Crawford, Nancy
Campbell, Elizabeth J.
Cole, George
Cole, Margaret
wife of George Cole,
Cooper, Jacob
Cooper, Catharine Ann
wife of Jacob Cooper,
Clow, Elizabeth
wife of Jacob C. Clow.

D

Delamater, Claudius J.†
Duff, James†
Delamater, Sarah
wid. of C. J. Delamater,*
Duff, Eliza
widow of James Duff,*
Douglass, Peter G.*
Douglass, Sarah
wife of P. G. Douglass,*
Dodds, Fanny*
Delamater, Caroline
wid. of J. E. Delamater,
Decker, Mary
Deuell, Henrietta S.
Demarest, Catharine L.
wife of D. D. Demarest,
DuBois, Henrietta
wife James T. Dubois.

E

Everts, Gertrude
wife of Jacob C. Everts,
Eiseman, John†
Elting, Mary
wife of A. V. V. Elting,†
Everts, Jacob C.*
Esselstyne, Sarah
wife of J. Esselstyne,*
Everts, Mrs.*
Elting, Abraham V. V.
Elting, Mary Susan
wife of A. V. V. Elting
Elting, Anna Maria

† Deceased. * Removed.

lting, Anna R.
lting, Stephen F.
verts, Cornelia V. R.

F.

onda, Rachel
wid. of Ab. L. Fonda,†
ord, Sarah†
widow of James Ford,†
isher, Catharine
wife of G. H. Fisher,†
onda, Lawrence*
ritz, Henry*
ritz, Sarah
wife of Henry Fritz,*
ritz, Jane E.*
ritz, Permilla*
inlay, Norman M.*
inlay, Margaret B.
wife of N. M. Finlay,*
isher, Catharine
wife of Geo. H. Fisher,*
riss, John*
riss, Elisabeth Ann
wife of John Friss,*
oland, Augustus J.*
oland, Adaline,
wife of Aug. J. Foland,*
reeland, Maria
wife of Leo. Freeland.

G

aul, John†
aul, Jane
wife of John Gaul†
amage, Hannah*
amage, Julia*
aul, Mary Jane*
osman, Mary
wife of John Gosman*
osman, Catharine*
Gosman Eliza*
Gantley, Martha A.
wife of Thos. Gantley,*
Galbraith, William
Galbraith, Jane
wife of Wm. Galbraith,
Gunn, Gertrude
wid. of Stephen Gunn,
Getty, Andrew C.
Getty, Cornelia T.
wife of And. C. Getty,
Groat, Maria
wid. of Henry Groat,

H

Hogeboon, Mrs.†
Hotchkiss, Lydia
wife of L. E. Hotchkiss,†
Holmes, Fanny B.
wife of A. R. Holmes,†
Hoffman, Emma†
Hubbard, Enoch S.*
Hubbard, Caroline
wife of E. S. Hubbard*
Humphrey, Louisa
Ham, Wilson*
Ham, Lucy
wife of Wilson Ham*
Hoffman, Martin*
Hoffman, Jane
wife of M. Hoffman,*
Hoes, Alida*
Holmes, Sarah A.
wife of Ed. Holmes,*
Hardick, Mary Ann
wid. of John Hardick,*
Hardick, Catharine
wife of Ab. Hardick,
Hogeboom, Jane Eliza
wife of H. Hogeboom,
Hallenbeck, Anthony

† Deceased. * Removed.

Hallenbeck, Emeline
wife of A. Hallenbeck,
Hoffman, Mary
wife of D'l Hoffman,
Heermance, Mary Jane

J

Johnson, John
Johnson, Annis
wife of John Johnson,

K

Kittle, Nicholas†
Keys, Sarah* (colored)
Kittle, Maria
wid. of Nicholas Kittle,
King, Eve Maria
wife of Chas. F. King.

L

LeDorr, Samuel*
Lambert, Emily A.
wife of Ed. Lambert,
Lambert, Elizabeth
widow of A. Lambert,
Lambert, Eve Ann
wife of Claud. Lambert,
Long, Harriet Elizabeth
wife of Henry Long
Link, Daniel
Link, Elizabeth
wife of Daniel Link
Lane, Henry W.

M

Mandeville, Margaret
wife of D. Mandeville,†
Morrison, Mary Ann†
McClellan, Sarah
wife of J. McClellan,†
Miller, Catharine
wife of Killian Miller,†
Mesick, Catharine
wid. of John J. Mesick,†
Mesick, Thomas F.*
Miller, Jane*
Miller, Christina*
Miller, Nancy Ann*
McGiffert, James*
McGiffert, Martha
wife of Jas. McGiffert,*
Mesick, John J.*
Mesick, Catharine
wife of John J. Mesick*
Melius, Delia*
Morrison, Catharine
wife of Hiram Morrison,
Marshall, Elizabeth
wife of E. Marshall,*
Morrison, Susan M.
wife of John Morrison,*
McClellan, John
McClellan, Mary Ann
wife of John McClellan
McClellan, Catharine
wife of Robt. McClellan,
Miller, Stephen B.
Miller, Harman H.
Miller, Annette
wife of H. H. Miller,
Miller, Sarah
wife of S. W. Miller,
Miller, Hannah
wife of Joel H. Miller,
Monell, Margaret
wife of J. D. Monell,
Meech, Sarah J. D.
wife of Alex. Meech,
Miller, Mary
wife of Cor. H. Miller.

† Deceased. * Removed.

N

Newkirk, John C.
Newkirk, Maria
wife of J. C. Newkirk,
Nash, Delia A.

O

Ostrander, Jane† (colored)
Ostrander, Eliza*
Ostrander, Bethia*
Osborne, Platt M.
Osborne, Phebe B.
wife of P. M. Osborne.

P

Prime, Henry F.†
Platner, Elizabeth†
Plass, Christina
wife of Michl. T. Plass,†
Poucher, Sarah Melinda
wife of H. H. Poucher,†
Prime, Anna
widow of H. F. Prime*
Plass, John T.*
Plass, Mary E.
wife of John T. Plass*
Palmer, William R.*
Palmer, Maria S.
wife of W. R. Palmer*
Poucher, Henry H.*
Proseus, Catharine M.*
Proseus, Hannah*
Pitcher, William L.*
Pitcher, Etta Jemima
wife of W. L. Pitcher,*
Pitcher, Sarah
wife of A. Pitcher,*
Plass, Michael T.
Plass, Sophia H.
Plass, Christina

Philip, Ellen
wid. of Geo. C. Philip,
Pindar, Peter S.
Pindar, Catharine Delia
wife of Peter S. Pindar,
Poucher, Catharine
wife of Henry Poucher.

R

Rossiter, Sarah
wife of N. T. Rossiter,†
Rowe, Eliza†
Richmond, Charlotte
wife of I. D. Richmond,†
Rutgers, Cornelia R.
wid. of R. B. Butgers,*
Race, William H.*
Race, Elizabeth
wife of Wm. H. Race,*
Rivenburgh, Peter*
Rivenburgh, Charlotte
wife of P. Rivenburgh,*
Rose, Elizabeth*
Rote, Eve*
Rose, Joshua*
Race, Elizabeth*
Race, Anna Maria
wife of Ab. H. Race,*
Rossman, Christina
wid. of P. B. Rossman,
Rockefeller, Allen
Rossman, Mary S.
wife of Allen Rossman,
Race, Clarissa
widow of C. S. Race,
Rowley, Julia Ann
wife of Alex. S. Rowley,
Rowley, Eliza Ann
Rossman, Joanna
wife of Geo. Rossman,

† Deceased. * Removed.

S

Schriver ——
wife of Jacob Schriver,†
Stow, Cathlina
wife of Jonathan Stow,†
Simpson, Sally Ann
wife of E. Simpson,†
Salpaugh, Margaret*
Snyder, Zechariah*
Snyder, Ann M.
wife of L. Snyder,*
Snyder, Ann Maria*
Stopplebeen, Michael F.*
Stopplebeen, Ann
wife of M. F Stopplebeen,*
Scudder, Samuel*
Smith, Carlostin Sandford
Smith, Mary
wife of C. S. Smith,
Stow, Jonathan
Stow, Maria
wife of Jonathan Stow,
Simpson, Elbridge
Simpson, Mary Jane
wife of E. Simpson,
Storm, Elizabeth*
wife of Stephen Storm,
Sharp, Deborah
widow of Conrad Sharp,
Storm, Catalina
wife of Richard Storm,
Shufeldt, Sarah
widow of G. A. Shufeldt,
Snyder, Nancy
wife of J. W. Snyder.
Staats, Eliza*
Staats, Effie*
Snyder, Jane
widow of C. Snyder,
Stow, Sarah Fonda

T

Thompson, John†
Ten Broeck, Maria
wid. of A. Ten Broeck,†
Thomas, Robert*
Thomas, Sarah Ann
wife of R. Thomas*
Tryon, Elizabeth*
Ten Broeck, Jacob
Ten Broeck, Ann
wife of J. Ten Broeck,
Ten Broeck, William H.
Ten Broeck, Mary Jane
wife of W. H. Ten Br'k,
Ten Broeck, Catharine E.
Ten Broeck, Helen Maria
Thompson, Rebecca Jane
wife of John Thompson.

U

Ustick, Edward F.*
Ustick, Hannah
wife of E. F. Ustick.*

V

Van Vleck, Henry†
Van Loon, Sarah†
Van Buren, Jane†
Vosburgh, Albertine
widow of J. Vosburgh,†
Van Vliet, William G.*
Van Valkenburgh, Mahala
wife of Chauncey A. Van Valkenburgh,*
Van Patten, Deborah*
Van Vliet, Elizabeth
wife of W. G. Van Vliet.*
Van Rensselaer, Jeremiah*

† Deceased. * Removed.

Van Valkenburgh, Sarah
widow of J. V. Valkenburgh,*
Vosburgh, Polly*
Vosburgh, Caroline*
Vosburgh, Sarah A.*
Vosburgh, Jane*
Vosburgh, Alida*
Van Valkenburgh, Sarah Ann
wife of J. A. Van Valkenburgh,*
Van Valkenburgh, Christina,*
Van Valkenburgh, Henrietta,*
VanWyck, Sarah Augusta
wife of P. Van Wyck,*
Van Vleck, Elizabeth
wid. of H. Van Vleck,
Van Deusen, Jacob
Van Deusen, Catharine C.
wife of Jacob Van Deusen,
Van Deusen, Robert D.
Van Deusen, James
Van Deusen, Eve
wife of J. Van Deusen
Van Deusen, John
Van Deusen, Anna Maria
wife of J. Van Deusen,
Van Deusen, Susan
wife of P. Van Deusen,
Van Debogart, John
Van Debogart, Mary Ann
wife of J. Van Debogart,
Van Deusen, Mary

W

Watrows, John*
Weir, Harriet
widow of T. J. Weir,*
Welsh, Catharine
wife of John Welsh,*
Whitbeck, Mary R.
wife of J. Whitbeck,*
Wynkoop, Joanna G.*
Wynkoop, Catharine V.D.*
Wynkoop, Margaret W.*
Wynkoop, Anna G.*
Wagoner, Elizabeth
wife of Wm. Wagoner,
Weir, Martha
widow of John Weir,
Weaver, Catharine
widow of J. H. Weaver,
Wattles, Caroline Ann
wife of Alfred Wattles,
Williams, Catalina
widow of C. Williams,
Wynkoop, Peter S.
Wynkoop, Elizabeth C.
wife of P. S. Wynkoop,
Weir, Margaret J.
Whitbeck, Mary
Wasson, Matilda
Whitbeck, Nancy
wife of J. Whitbeck,
Wasson, Alexander.

* Removed.

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INDIANA